

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

GREGORY L. RICKS,

Petitioner,

v.

SUPT. JOHN THOMAS,

Respondent.

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No.: 4:15-CV-1017

(Judge Brann)

**ORDER**

**AND NOW**, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May 2017, in accordance with the accompanying Memorandum, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

1. Ricks' habeas corpus petition is **DENIED**.
2. The Clerk of Court is directed to **CLOSE** this case.
3. Based on the Court's conclusion herein, there is no basis for the issuance of a certificate of appealability.

BY THE COURT:

*s/ Matthew W. Brann*

Matthew W. Brann  
United States District Judge